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Attention:

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals from the final rejection of Claims 15-21, 23, 25, 27, and 29-38, and as appropriate, also Claims 29 and 38, made in the Office Action of August 11, 2004. It is noted that Claims 28 and 39 are in the application and are objected to but are not directly rejected.

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